

# Paul Johannes Tillich Timeline: 1883-1904

**1883-1885**

*Thus Spoke Zarathustra* published by Nietzsche

**1886**

Birth, August 20, Starzeddel, Germany

**1888**

Sister, Johanna Tillich, Born



Paul Tillich. Student days in Germany. Age: late teens or early 20s. (Carey xvii)

**1901-1904**  
Attends Friedrich Wilhelm Gymnasium in Berlin

**1898-1901**  
Attends Humanistic Gymnasium in Königsburg

1883 1884 1885 1886 1887 1888 1889 1890 1891 1891 1892 1893 1894 1895 1896 1897 1898 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1904



Bad Schönfliess. Paul Tillich's childhood home age 5 to 12. (Pauck 118).



Tillich and his sisters Elizabeth and Johanna. Ages: Paul 16, Elizabeth 9, Johanna 14. (Pauck 118).

**1893**  
Sister, Elizabeth Tillich, Born

Paul Tillich's mother. Age uncertain. (Pauck, 117).



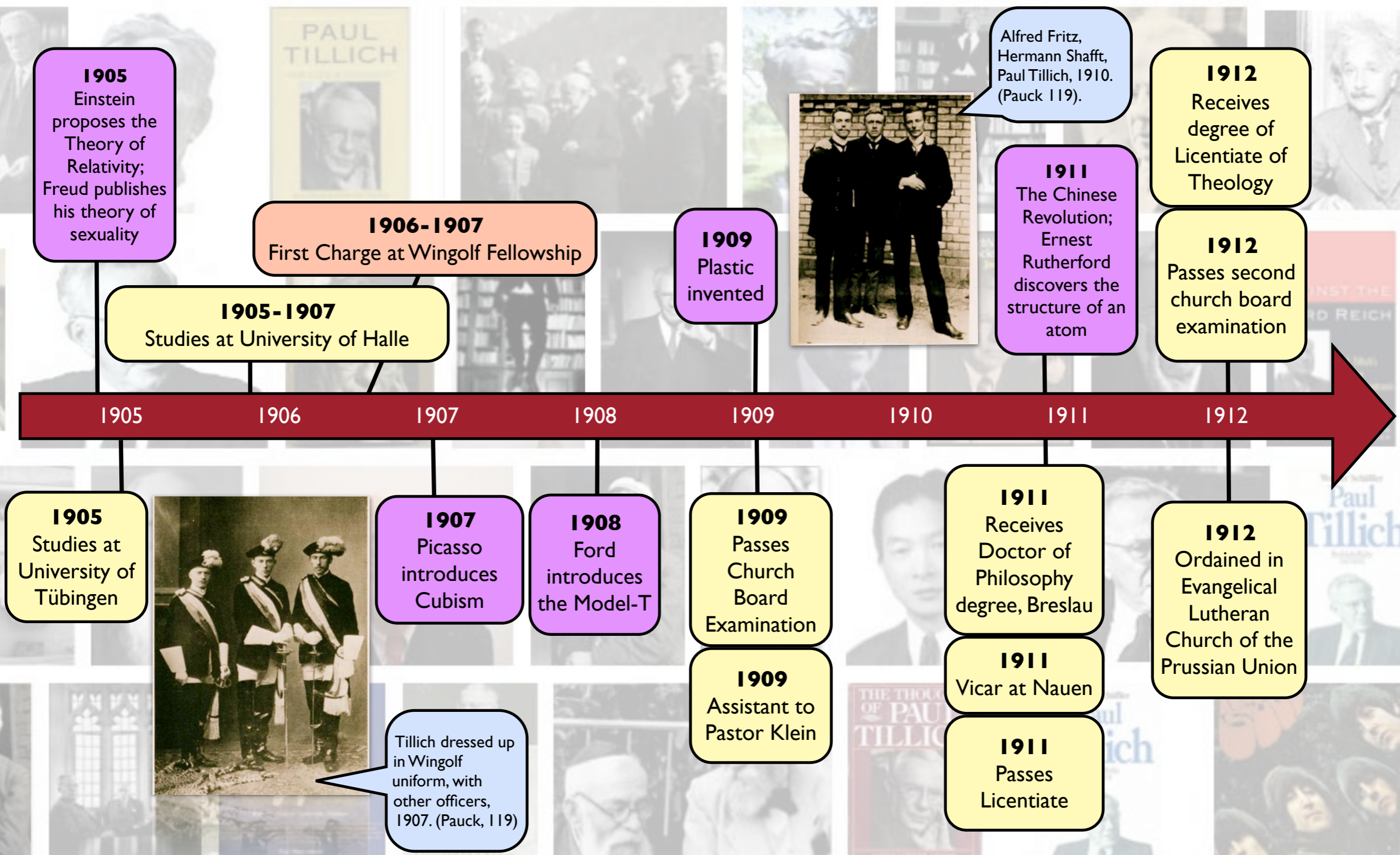
**1902**  
Confirmed, March 23

**1903**  
Mother's Death, September 24

**1903**  
First flight at Kitty Hawk

**1904**  
Studies at University of Berlin

# Paul Johannes Tillich Timeline: 1905-1912



**1905**  
Einstein proposes the Theory of Relativity; Freud publishes his theory of sexuality

**1906-1907**  
First Charge at Wingolf Fellowship

**1905-1907**  
Studies at University of Halle

**1909**  
Plastic invented



Alfred Fritz, Hermann Shafft, Paul Tillich, 1910. (Pauck 119).

**1912**  
Receives degree of Licentiate of Theology

**1912**  
Passes second church board examination

1905

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**1905**  
Studies at University of Tübingen



**1907**  
Picasso introduces Cubism

**1908**  
Ford introduces the Model-T

**1909**  
Passes Church Board Examination

**1909**  
Assistant to Pastor Klein

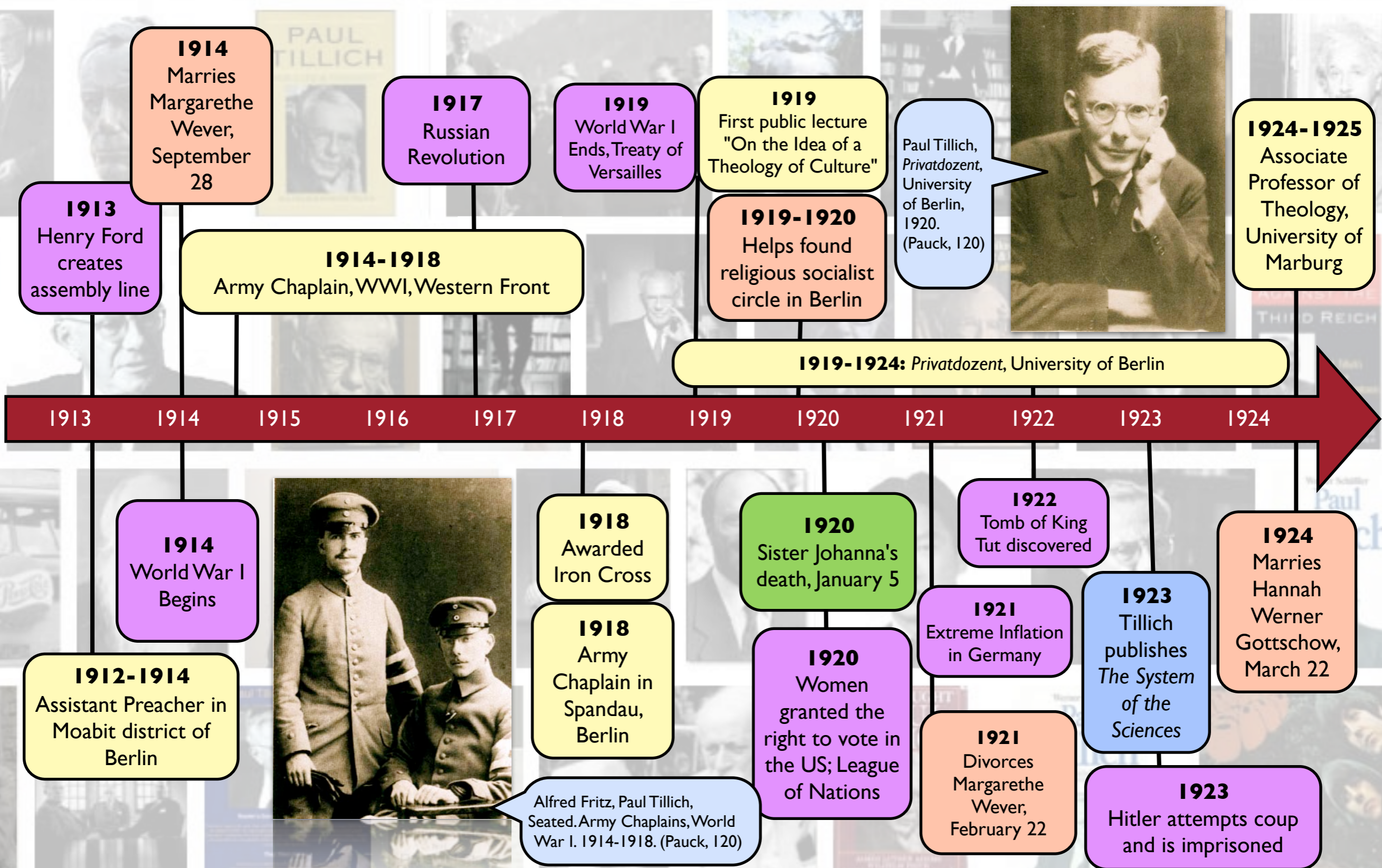
**1911**  
Receives Doctor of Philosophy degree, Breslau

**1911**  
Vicar at Nauen

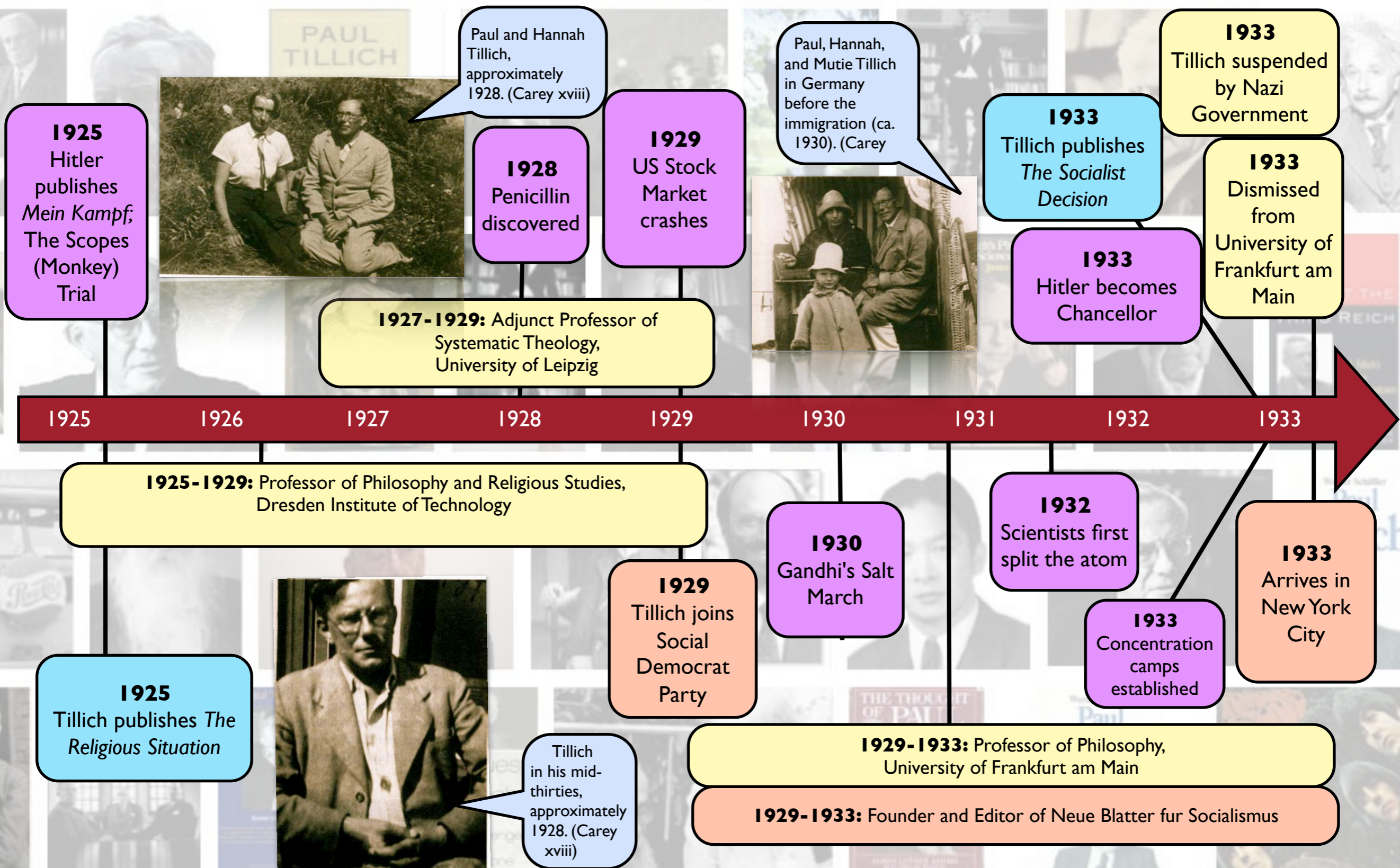
**1911**  
Passes Licentiate

**1912**  
Ordained in Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Prussian Union

# Paul Johannes Tillich Timeline: 1913-1924



# Paul Johannes Tillich Timeline: 1925-1933



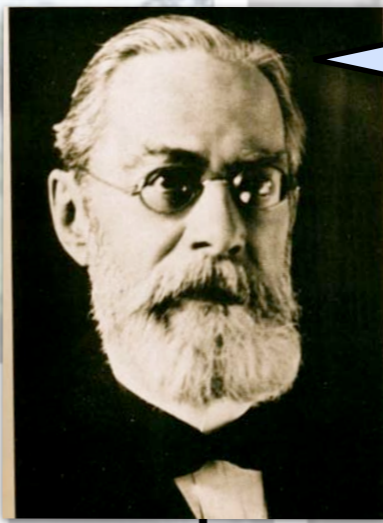
# Paul Johannes Tillich Timeline: 1933-1939

**1934**  
Anti-Jewish  
Nuremberg  
Laws  
Established in  
Germany



With students at Union Theological Seminary, NYC, approx. 1934. (Carey xx)

**1936**  
Founder and  
First  
Chairman of  
"Self-Help for  
Emigres"



Paul Tillich's father. Age uncertain. (Pauck, 117).

**1938**  
Nazi Germany  
Annexes Austria

**1939**  
World War II  
Begins; First  
commercial  
flight over  
the Atlantic

**1933-1937:** Visiting Professor of Philosophy of Religion and Systematic Theology, Union Theological Seminary

**1937**  
Father Dies in Berlin



**1933-1934**  
Visiting Lecturer in Philosophy,  
Columbia University

Paul Tillich, emigrant, USA 1936. (Pauck, 214).

**1934**  
Joins Theological  
Discussion Group



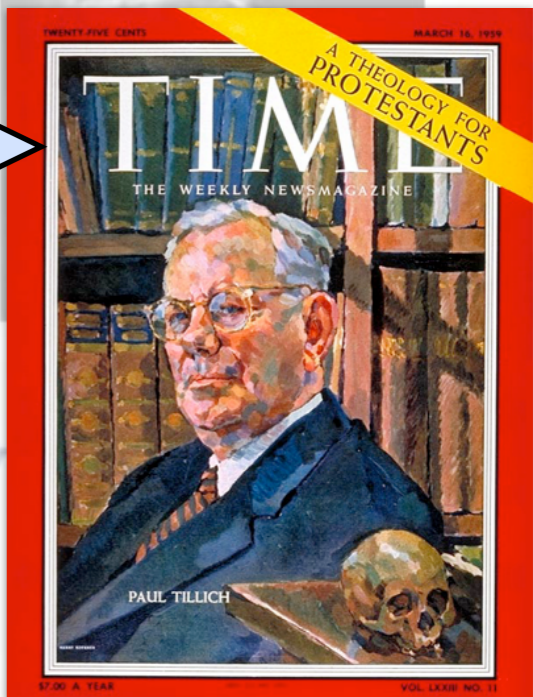
**1936**  
Tillich  
publishes *On  
The Boundary*

**1936**  
Tillich publishes  
*The Interpretation  
of History*

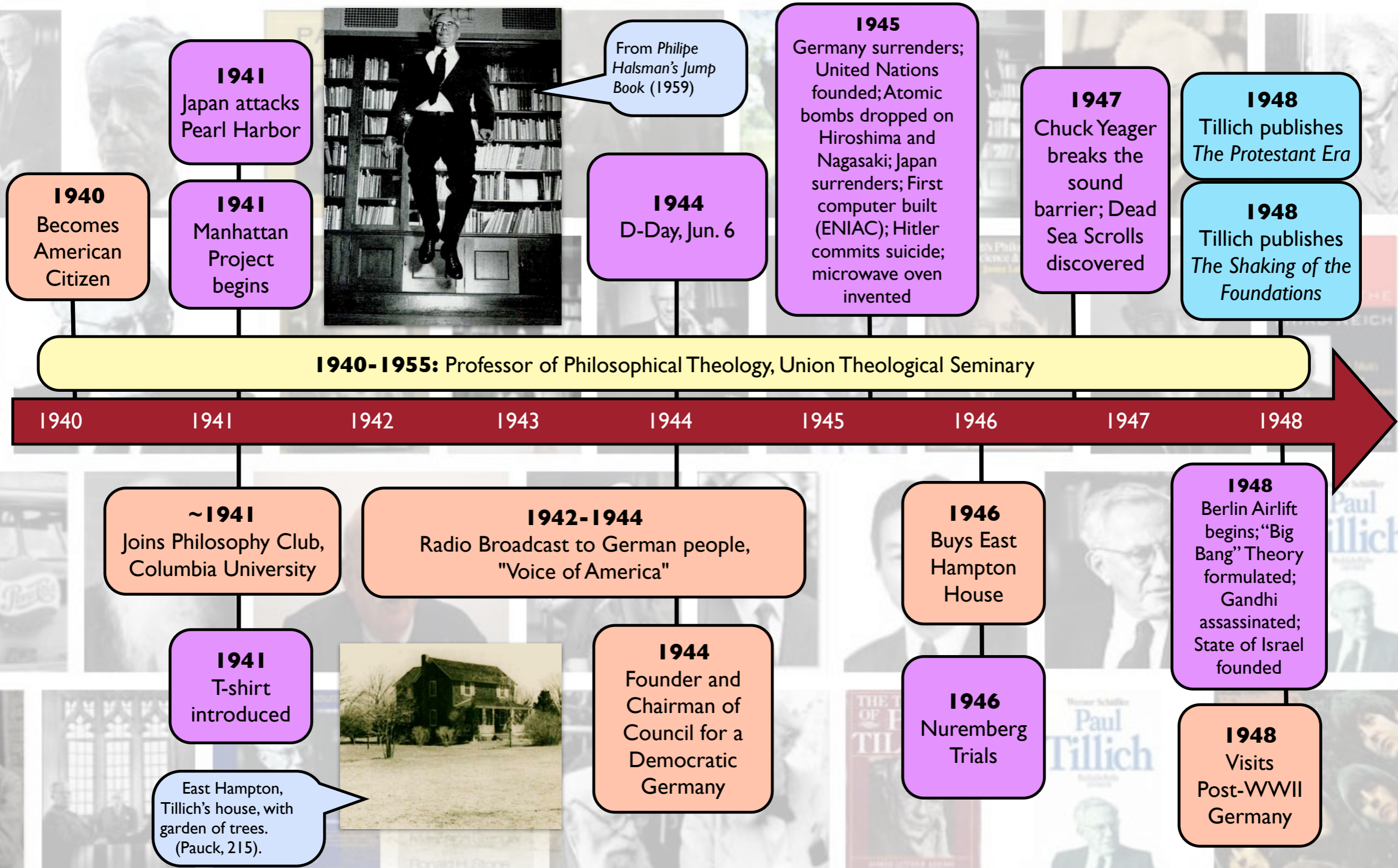
**1937**  
Japan Invades  
China

**1937-1939:**  
Associate Professor  
of Philosophical  
Theology, Union  
Theological Seminary

Time Magazine cover, 1939



# Paul Johannes Tillich Timeline: 1940-1948



# Paul Johannes Tillich Timeline: 1949-1955

**1949**  
NATO  
founded

**1950**  
Korean War  
Begins

**1951**  
Tillich publishes  
*Systematic Theology*,  
Volume I

**1952**  
Tillich publishes  
*The Courage to Be*

Mutie writes, "In East Hampton with Leo Lowenthal & his wife & my son (born in 1953) probably two or so in the picture."--Thus about 1955. (Carey xxi)

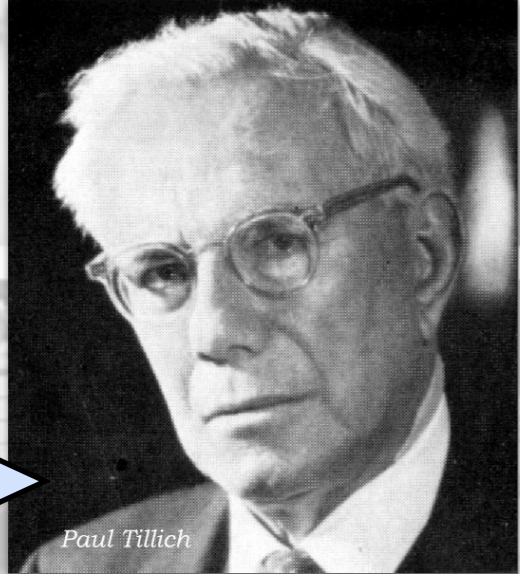


**1955**  
Retires from  
Union  
Theological  
Seminary

**1940-1955:** Professor of Philosophical Theology, Union Theological Seminary



**1949**  
Soviet Union  
develops  
nuclear



Paul Tillich

Undated photo of Tillich from <http://people.bu.edu/~wwildman/tillich>

**1951**  
WWII  
officially  
ends; Color  
TV  
introduced

**1953**  
DNA discovered

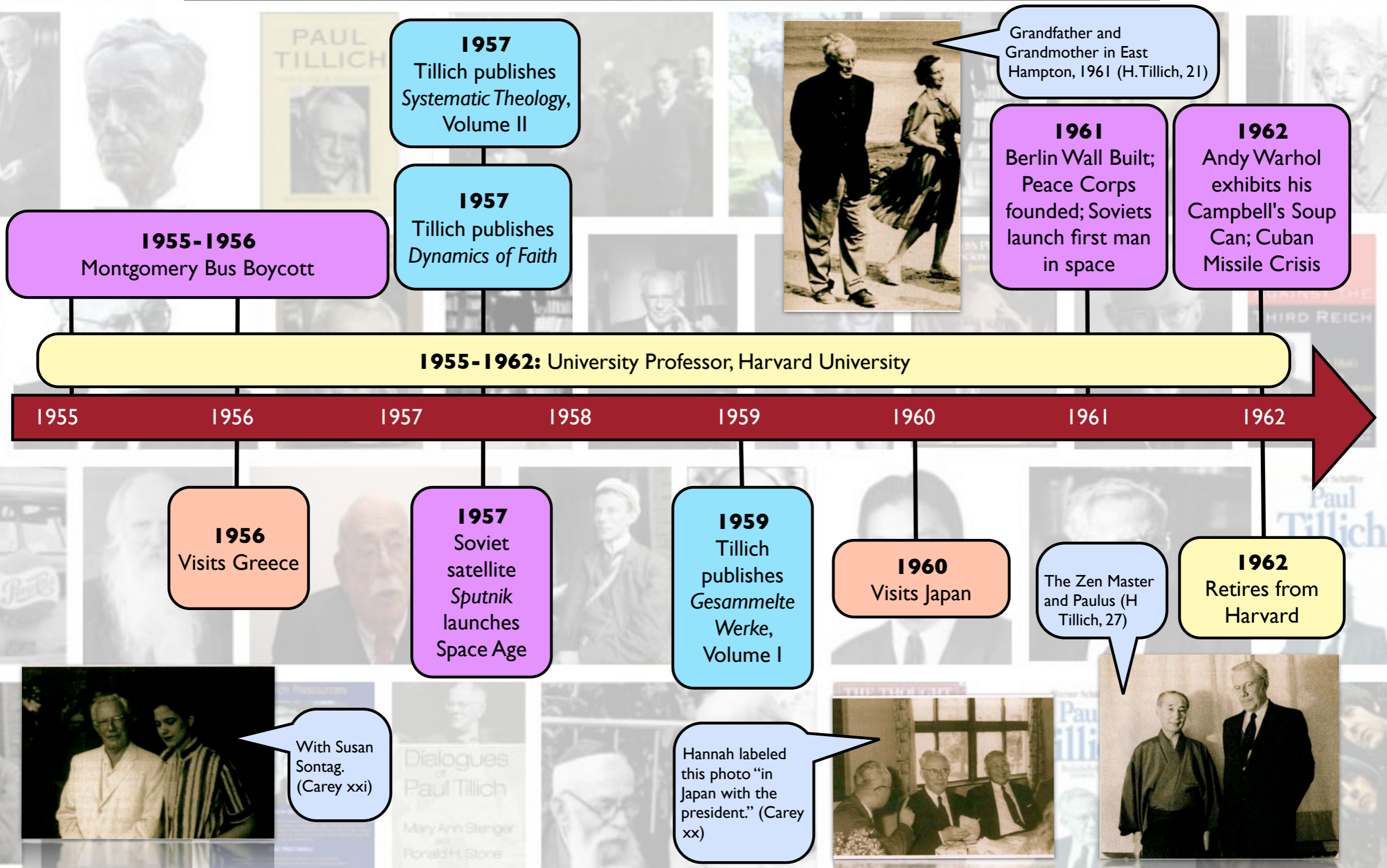
**1954**  
Tillich publishes  
*Love, Power, and  
Justice: Ontological  
Analysis and  
Ethical Applications*

**1955**  
Tillich publishes  
*Biblical Religion  
and the Search  
for Ultimate  
Reality*

**1953-1954**  
Gifford Lectures, University of  
Aberdeen, Scotland

**1955**  
Tillich publishes  
*The New Being*

# Paul Johannes Tillich Timeline: 1955-1962





# Paul Johannes Tillich Timeline: 1962-1965



Grandson [Ted Farris] and Grandfather in [1963]. (H.Tillich, 21; Pauck, 215)

**1963**  
Dedicates Paul Tillich Park, New Harmony, Indiana

**1963**  
Tillich publishes *Christianity and the Encounter of the World Religions*

**1963**  
Tillich publishes *Morality and Beyond*

**1964**  
Nelson Mandela sentenced to life in prison; Civil Rights Act passes in US; Beatles become popular in US; Muhammad Ali becomes World Heavyweight Champion

**1965**  
US troops sent to Vietnam; Los Angeles Riots; Malcolm X assassinated; New York City great blackout

**1962-1965:** Nuveen Professor of Theology, Chicago University Divinity School

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1964

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**1962-1965:** Second Vatican Council (Vatican II)

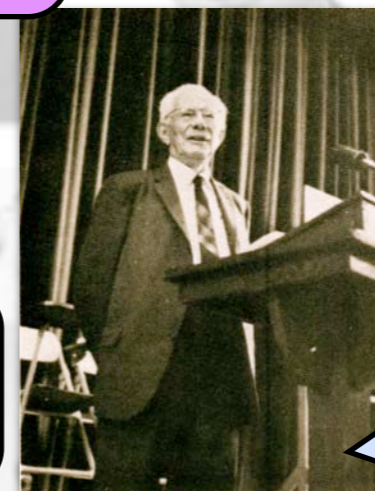


Paulus and Henry Luce, with Claire in the background. J. Loengard. (H.Tillich, 29). Tillich was the main speaker at Time's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary dinner. 6 May 1963. (Pauck 212).

**1963**  
John F. Kennedy assassinated; Martin Luther King Jr. makes His "I Have a Dream" speech

**1963**  
Tillich publishes *The Eternal Now*

**1963**  
Tillich publishes *Systematic Theology, Vol. III*



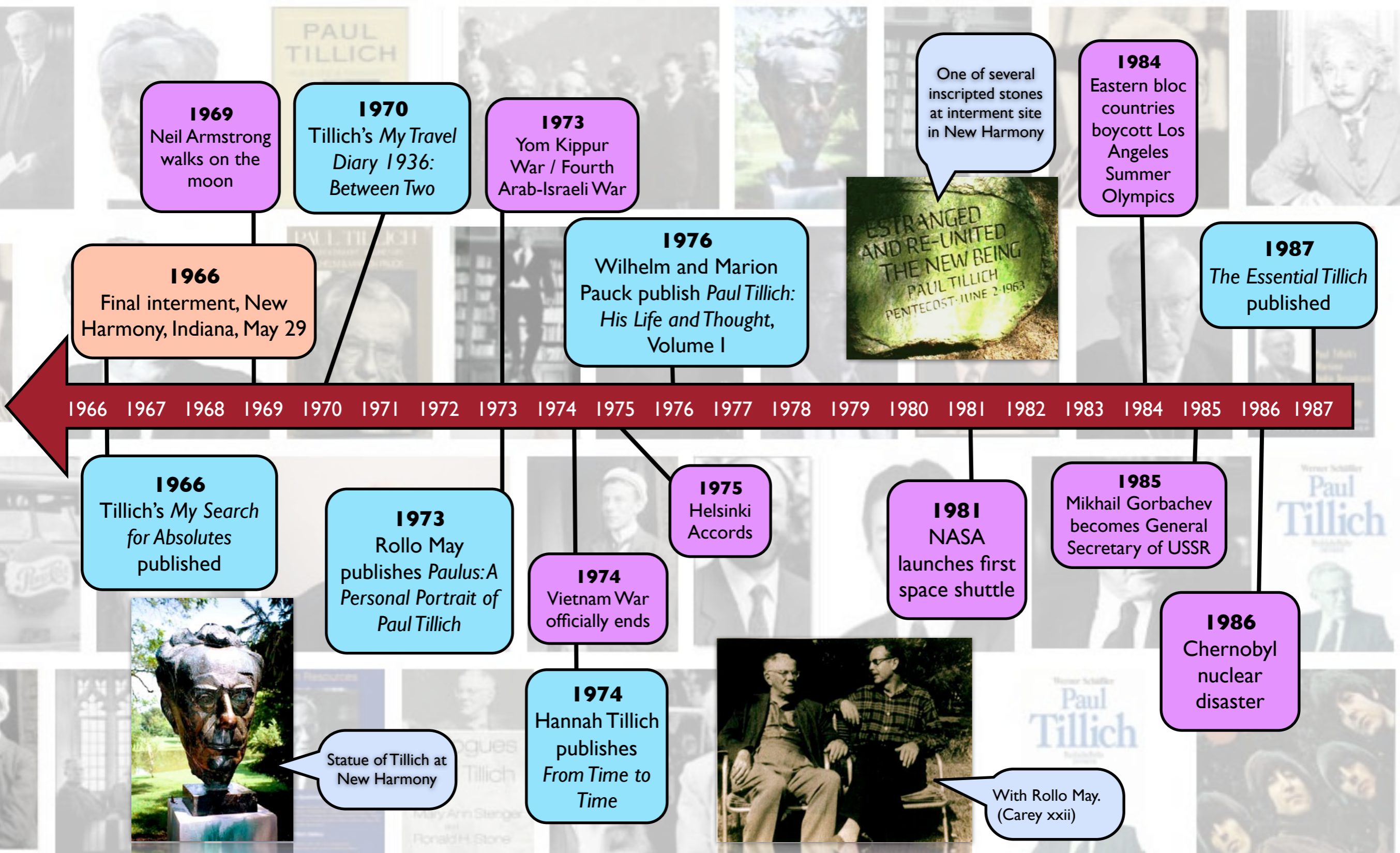
**1965**  
Last lecture: "The Significance of the History of Religions for the Systematic Theologian"

Paul Tillich, Union Theological Seminary, New York. Last appearance there, 1965. (Pauck, 216).

**1965**  
Dies of a heart attack, Billings Hospital, Chicago, October 22

**1965**  
*Ultimate Concern: Tillich in Dialogue* published

# Paul Johannes Tillich Timeline: 1966-1987



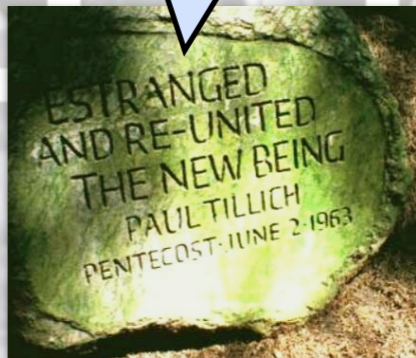
**1969**  
Neil Armstrong walks on the moon

**1970**  
Tillich's *My Travel Diary 1936: Between Two*

**1973**  
Yom Kippur War / Fourth Arab-Israeli War

**1966**  
Final interment, New Harmony, Indiana, May 29

**1976**  
Wilhelm and Marion Pauck publish *Paul Tillich: His Life and Thought, Volume I*



**1984**  
Eastern bloc countries boycott Los Angeles Summer Olympics

**1987**  
*The Essential Tillich* published

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**1966**  
Tillich's *My Search for Absolutes* published

**1973**  
Rollo May publishes *Paulus: A Personal Portrait of Paul Tillich*

**1975**  
Helsinki Accords

**1981**  
NASA launches first space shuttle

**1985**  
Mikhail Gorbachev becomes General Secretary of USSR



Statue of Tillich at New Harmony

**1974**  
Vietnam War officially ends

**1974**  
Hannah Tillich publishes *From Time to Time*



With Rollo May. (Carey xxii)

**1986**  
Chernobyl nuclear disaster

Werner Schiller  
*Paul Tillich*

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